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TODAY IS LIBERTY DAY

President Wilson by Proclamation Named

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and requested that all Americans devote the entire day to RALLIES, MEETINGS and GATHERINGS of many or few to consider and push the sale of bonds of the

3rd LIBERTY LOAN

This County has already subscribed for more bonds than at first asked of it as its quota of the whole amount but it has been requested that our quota be doubled and every effort be put forth to double it.

WE CAN DO IT. LETS GO TO IT AND DO IT. WHY NOT?

Presbyterian Church

Sunday School at 9:30 A. M.
At 11 o'clock we will unite in the Baccalaureate services at the Baptist church.

At 8 o'clock the minister in charge will speak on the "Life of Christ" using views by the stereopticon.

Every one is invited to any or all services.

The minister will speak at College Mound on Friday night on the Prohibition Amendment for Missouri.

If was my pleasure in the last two weeks to attend the presidency of Missouri at Auxvass and the Presidency of Kirksville at Green City. Here it was our duty to represent the committee on Young People and the Board of Temperance of the Presbyterian church.

Both Presbyteries were held with small attendance. The war is calling many ministers to the front. The Atlantic Monthly had an article claiming that the ministry was not doing its part in the great war. The fact is, that at one Presbyterian school, only one theological student said he would claim exemption. Last year 90 per cent of Princeton's class graduated, probably as many as were physically fit. They had volunteered, as well as several of the professors. The statement was made at the Synod of Missouri that the records had not yet shown a Presbyterian minister asking for exemption. The Presbyterian church, U. S. A., passed a resolution condemning the idea that a minister should not assume his full burden of citizenship. We did not want war, but we believe in standing by our government, and for the democracy of the world: as our people stand, we believe all our brethren stand in other denominations also. We believe that the Divine decree has gone out that "conquer we must for our cause is just."

R. T. MATHEWS,
Minister in Charge.

THE EUROPEAN WAR

U-Boat Bases Attacked Our Boys Holding Line Gain and Lose

The German U-boat bases at Zebrugge and Ostend were badly damaged by British destroyers Tuesday. The several destroyers slipping in past the German guard and blowing up the gates of the canal. Old ships laden with concrete were sunk in channel to prevent U-boats from getting out. It is claimed that the Ostend harbor is wrecked. Germans have lost and retaken small towns. Heavy fighting at Ypres. Both sides massing for looked for third German drive. Germans advance another mile near Amiens.

U. S. soldiers repulse savage attack with small losses. The imminent danger to Amiens, the chief railroad center of northern France, which Germans have approached within three miles, is chief concern of British forces. Artillery action against Americans has greatly increased. Secretary Baker says 1,800,000 from this country will soon be in the fight. Record-breaking calls for draft men have been ordered for May and June.

Be sure and drag the roads this week.

Mrs. Frank Edwards was in Salisbury shopping Tuesday.

The teacher of German in the Huntsville school has joined the army, German being barred from the school now.

When the May and June call for draft men have been made the thinning out of the ranks of the young men will be very noticeable.

A St. Louis policeman bot \$10,000 worth of Liberty bonds. The entire force might exhaust the supply if they would all loosen up.

Soldiers For Re-Classification

From information given the local board three for the next call were considered for class other than that assigned to them on their first round before the board. A. W. Sasse was transferred by the board from class three to class one, Ed Shipp has his case before the board on the question of belonging to class 1 instead of class 4. He was transferred from class 1 and G. T. Sherman was left in class three where he was placed at first.

The board has its eye on several more cases and there may be some surprises in store for boys who have secured classification different from that which they were entitled to because of representations made which were not in accord with the facts.

Baccalaureate Sermon

The baccalaureate service of the Graduating class of Keytesville High School will be held at the Baptist church next Sunday April 28 at 11 a. m. Dr. C. B. Boving Moberly, Mo., will deliver the sermon.

Bill Fox and Frank McCollum had a slight misunderstanding at Salisbury Saturday night which resulted in a swipe across the left jowl of Fox from a pocket knife in the hands of McCollum. Frank's face was bandaged in a way which made it look as if one side of his mug had been erased, the wound bleeding profusely and saturating with gore the heavy bandages.

McDonald school closed April 19. Many of the patrons were present and a nice dinner was served. Owing to the day being stormy some few did not get to come. After dinner the eighth grade pupils read "Classic Prophecies", then a few by other grades. They were enjoyed by all. Miss Susie Horton was again reemployed to teach the next term. She has just closed her 3rd term at McDonald.

Got His Wife

Everett Clark was made happy and likewise his handsome young bride by the brides parents yielding their consent to the proper state of wedlock. Mrs. Clark went to her husband near Triplett Sunday with her mother's blessings, her father not entirely giving up the objection he felt when he detained his daughter at home and advised the groom to go hence and forget that he was ever in possession of his daughter.

The entire community commends the course of the parents of the bride and the best wishes of all are with the happy juveniles who have begun domestic life so young. May they grow fond every day and live long and prosper.

Graduating Exercises

The Commencement exercises of the Senior Class of the High School will be held at the Court-house Thursday May 2 at 8:15 p. m. The Rev. B. L. Smith, pastor of the Christian Church of Moberly will deliver the address of the evening. His subject will be "The Rising or Setting Sun?"

Issues Liberty Proclamation

President Wilson, in a proclamation issued Thursday, has fixed Friday, April 26, as Liberty Day in order to aid the Third Liberty Loan Campaign. He urges that patriotic demonstrations be held in "every city, town and hamlet throughout the land," and that a generous reply be made to the appeal to subscribe to the bond issue.

Take Over Wheat

The government threatens to take over all 1917 wheat in farmers hands unless they market it very soon. Less wheat has been put on the market every week since January and the call for it by England and France is most urgent.

WE HAD IT

Big Day For Keytesville Weather Didn't Bluff Courthouse Crammed

Under the auspices of the Four Minute Men, considering the state of the weather and roads a most instructive and war inspiring program was rendered at the Court house Wednesday afternoon. Maj. Carson McCormack, an officer of the Canadian army who had seen service in France from about the beginning of the war was the great attraction for a much larger crowd than could have been expected since it was too late to advertise to any extent when it was learned he would be here. Maj. McCormick was accompanied by L. L. Leonard of St. Louis the head of the Four Minute Men in this state, who explained the organization and stirred up local members to greater activity. Assisted by a quartet, Mesdms. Ingram, Bell, Parks and Mode of Salisbury whose renditions were a most enjoyable part of the program and favored with an excellent speech by Gilbert Lamb, the locals were enabled to supply on short notice for the packed Court room a most excellent entertainment. There were numbers who could not get within hearing, much less in seeing distance of any of the singers or speakers while they were engaged in their parts of the program.

Maj. McCormack is a big, fine looking and handsome faced young fellow and the ideal of girls and women for a soldier. He is not so fluent speaker as one may hear from among the officers of the army, but he tells his story of what he has experienced and seen in a way very pleasing and convincing, avoiding the gory recitals so many not of the army appear to deem necessary to excite us over the

way things sometimes go.

That every one who heard the Maj. was glad he did is an assured fact, and we would all like to listen to more like him.

High School Notes

The Seniors will be dismissed the last week of school.

Elizabeth Agee was absent from school Tuesday morning.

Sadie Johnson and Nat Allen were elected paper gathers Tuesday.

Miss McCaul is in school again after being out again on account of sickness.

Wednesday night the last picture of the series of six, "Vanity Fair" was shown at the Court House.

Two stars were added to our Service Flag this week. They were for Martin Friesz and James Dameron.

The students of the high school want to thank all persons who attended the series of pictures given under the auspices of K. H. S.

The girls in the H. S. chorus will furnish the music for baccalaureate sermon [which will be held in the Baptist church Sunday, April 28th.]

Saturday morning the periods were shortened and all afternoon recitations were had, so there was no school in the afternoon because of the great number absent on account of the bad weather.

Drag the roads.

Small pox has about disappeared from our town the one or two new cases.

It is said that Governor Gardner has asked Champ Clark to accept the appointment to fill Senator Stone's place, and that Speaker Clark is considering it. If Clark does accept, Governor Gardner will be entitled to credit for continuing him in office.